## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Applicant: Ernest A. Voisin

Serial No. 09/121,725

Appeal No. 2005-1101

For: "A Process of Elimination of Bacteria

Date: September 12, 2005

In Shellfish..."

## REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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The appellant would like to thank Mr. Craig Feinberg of the Appeals Board for the courtesies extended to the applicant's representative during the telephone calls on September 2 and 7, 2005.

The undersigned respectfully submits that the office of the appellant's counsel is located in New Orleans, which has recently suffered from flood occasioned by hurricane Katrina. Due to mandatory evacuation from the City of New Orleans, the office of the appellant's counsel was unable to obtain access to the files, which are essential to the preparation of the oral hearing currently set for September 13, 2005.

Due to these extraordinary circumstances, the Board of Appeals is respectfully requested to grant appellant a three-month extension of time and permit the oral hearing to be re-set for December of this year.

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